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## RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

The following is filed in timely response to the final Office Action mailed on October 20, 2009, wherein the Examiner:

1. Rejected Claims 5, 6, 10, 20, 23, and 26-29 under Section 102(b) as being anticipated by Ooi et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,118,564.

2. Rejected Claim 17 under Section 103(a) as obvious over Ooi et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,118,564, and Doi et al., U.S. Patent No. 7,340,114.

The following remarks are submitted in response.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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